



TALES OF HOLIDAYS PAST _

In honor of the holiday season, I have decided to turn this editorial space over to our illustrious BOOM! Kids creators so that they might share their most treasured holiday memories with you! (And grant this beleaguered and bedraggled editor a little breathing room this month by skipping an editorial!)

Mark Waid, Editor In Chief and Writer, Incredibles

My most treasured holiday memory was my fourth Christmas, when I received a Batman Utility Belt from Santa. You can be sure the streets of Hueytown, Alabama were free of crime with me on the case.

Ian Brill, Editor

The Looney Tunes Golden Collection DVD. I love the anarchic spirit of Bugs Bunny and Daffy Duck.

Nathan Watson, Artist, Toy Story

Being a December-born individual, Christmas was always a tricky time -I'd get the batteries for my birthday with the promise of 'Just wait until Christmas, when you get to see what they go in!' Then, on Christmas Day, I get the 'wait and see' gift, open it up and the batteries are the wrong size!

Patrick Storck, Writer, Muppet King Arthur

All the stove burners were in use making breakfast Christmas morning, so mom thought to bake the bacon. About halfway through the meal dad asked why we didn't make bacon. A moment later all the windows were open, the fans were on, and a flaming pan of bacon was being thrown out the back door into the snow.

Deron Bennett, Letterer

As a kid, Christmas was all about "the list" for me. As soon as the holidays approached and the catalogs started rolling in, my brother and I would get to circling every item on every page just in case Santa was feeling generous. I never could quite get the hang of narrowing things down. I think I may have even asked for an engagement ring from JC Penneys once ... or twice.

Bryce Carlson, Editor

It was the mild Southern California winter of yesteryear. I was but a small boy with big dreams of grandiose gifts after all, I was a GOOD little man. I got a Micro Machine Death Star.

Paul Benjamin, Writer, Muppet King Arthur and Monsters, Inc.



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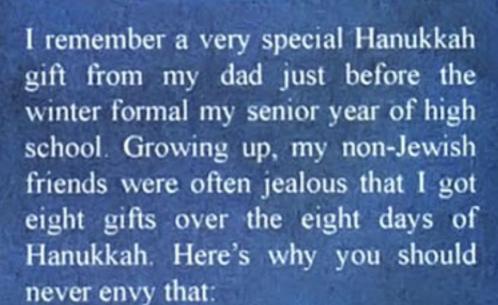












Day 1: Tuxedo pants

Day 2: Cumberbund

Day 3: Bow tie

Day 4: One cufflink

Amy Mebberson, Artist, Muppet Peter Pan and Monsters, Inc.

My best Christmas presents ever were the dollshouse hand-built by my grandfather in 1984 and the Amiga 500 system we got in 1990. The dollshouse remains a family treasure, but I've had to rescue the poor Amiga from the rubbish a couple of times. No respect for the classics, man!

Grace Randolph, Writer, Muppet Peter Pan

When I was around ten years old, my sister and I had bunk beds and I was on the top. Well, we'd been up for awhile that Christmas morning but had to wait until a "reasonable time" to wake-up our parents. When we agreed the hour had come, my sister bolted out of the room while I was still working my way down from the top bunk! It's her pure excitement, and my excitement to catch up to her, that is my strongest Christmas memory!

And as for my greatest Christmas memory? Three words: Cobra Terror Drome. Thank you, Grandma! Happy holidays, everyone!

-Aaron Sparrow, Editor



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PREVIOUSLY, IN TOY STORY ##0...

Andy's grandmother sends him a second Buzz Lightyear figure, resulting in all outwar as Andy's Buzz finds himself (ace-to-face with a new, shinier version of himself! When Andy and his mother decide to exchange the new Buzz at the store a scuffle ensues, and they return from the store with a new Space Ranger, Booster. No toy in Andy's room is sure which Buzz Lightyear was returned... until Woody notices that the Buzz figure that came back from the toy store is missing Andy's signature on his foot...

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